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ATHENS, FRIDAY, DEC. 23, 1854.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."-"Christmas comes but once a year," and as our hands wanted a holiday, we can furnish our readers this week with a half sheet only. When a hungry young gentleman complained about the scantiness of the anpper placed before him, he was consoled with the remark that he would have the less than Cotton. There is no speculative demand to eat. And so of our paper this week-if for either. the reader is disposed to grumble at the "curtailed dimensions" he has the fact to console him that there is less to read-a fact We presume, however, no apology is necessary, as we have never in the period of over six years which the paper has been pubhour in the time of going to press, and but | will not ask higher rates because it would be once before had occasion to send out "a half a violation of the law let it be ever so absurd. lonf"-which every body knows is better than no bread at all. Hoping and believing enten-smalled issue, like the old lady's coffee. is "very good what there is of it, and plenty of it such as it is," we take our leave of them closing hour will find them surrounded by since died. tions, and with consciences void of offence comparison to those of last year. toward God and their fellow-man.

MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.-The annual meeting of the Stockholders East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company, occurs on ed there should be a full attendance of the nection with the subject, says: Stockholders. Stockholders attending the meeting will of course be passed over the road free.

Several communications are unavoidably crowded out this week, among them that of "An Old Stockholder," which did not reach us until Thursday morning-after the matter for our "half sheet" had been made up.

PARKSVILLE,-This is the name of a post office recently established in Polk county .-Jas. Parks, Esq., is the post-master.

DISAPPOINTMENT.-The Blakely Choral "down South." Those young gentlemen who believe music to "be the food of love," they will save their dimes.

BANK OF CHATTANOOGA .- We learn from preceding the 18th instant.

On Wednesday night last, according to appointment, M. P. Jarnagin, Esq., delivered an address, at the Presbyterian Church in this place, on the subject of a Prohibitory Liquor Law. We were debarred the pleasure of being present by office business, but have heard the effort spoken of as a very able one, abounding in facts and arguments in regard to the evils of intemperance sufficient to arrest the attention of the most careless.

Meridian Sun Lodge, No. 50, Free and Accepted Masons, celebrated the 27th. the anniversary of St John the Evangelist. and the address at the Church, by the Rev. Jno. L. Gay, is said to have been of more than ordinary ability and interest.

It is said that Gevernor Reeder, of Kansas, will refuse to give a certificate of ple. election to the Delegate just chosen from the Territory of Kansas in Congress, because sion. We hope the report is not true.

According to information said to have been derived from the delegates of the Western Territories to Congress, there will soon be eight or ten applications from said Territories for admission as sovereign States into the Union. In addition to these, we are likely to have an immediate application of the same sort from the Sandwich Islands.

Southern Military Academy Lottery. Class H. was drawn at Montgomery on the 20th inst. The following are the principal drawn numbers; 4000, \$7500; 356, \$5000; 1060, \$2000; 957, 6719, each \$1000. The capital prize was drawn at Montgomery and

Rumor says Rufus Choate has joined the Know Nothings. Also, that Mr. Fillmore assembly, came forward and made "the signs," -and then retired amid thundering applause.

HEADS OFF.-We learn from the Macon Telegraph, that the Know Nothing Board of ments in the war against Russia, it may be Aldermen recently elected in that place, has taken off the heads of all the foreign born office-holders in the employ of the city.

Bostos, December 23. The Newspaper Exchange buildings were burned yesterday. The offices of several

weekly papers were consumed. Col. Parks, post-master at Parksville, Polk county, will act as agent for the "Post" in that neighborhood, and will take a

pleasure in forwarding the names of new subscribers, &c. We neglected last week to notice the receipt of some very large turnips from our friend, Col. Barb, of this county. One of

them measured over 23 inches in circumfer-Maj. Joseph Robinson, of this country, offers a valuable farm for sale. See ad-

The word "impossible" is the mother

tongue of little unu's.

CHARLESTON CORRESPONDENCE. CHARLESTON, Dec. 23, 1854.

Our money market is becoming more tight so. Many persons having notes coming due 9th inst. are compelled to renew a portion of them, ary Notices over 12 lines, charged at the regular thus continuing the funds of our banks locked up in unavailable securities. It is very Impressive that we will have just such a time as we had in 1837, and the interests of noney will rate so high that it will be useless for a business man to pay them, as he

> out doing his business any good. Cotton is still declining slowly, and will continue to do so until a reaction takes place. All kinds of produce are tending downward in price, but apparently stand better

Sterling Exchange is falling down to the shipping point, it being 1084 a 1084-Bills on New York are selling at } per cent, on which, in regard to some papers, must alwhich, in regard to some papers, index of the present hard times; and there ways be a relief to the discriminating reader. 7 are paid by the borrower. Usury laws will in this city to-day from Bremen, via South- will be no relief until, growing out of the inalways cause this state of things, because by ampton, having left the latter port on the their penalties many men are induced to refuse loaning money at the low rate as it lished missed a number, and never varied an will not pay them for their trouble, and they

It appears to be the general impression here that the price of property and rents tria, notwithstanding the treaty of alliance. our readers will agree with us that our pres- will go down in this city. I hope so, for they are enormously high.

We had a boiler explosion vesterday morning, by which one white man and three nefor the present year, with the trust that its groes were so badly scalded that they have French line of battle ships and thirteen other Treasury, and we do not doubt it, be correct.

substantial blessings, and that, like ourself, Our business men are doing a very large they are prepared to enter upon the duties of business in all branches. Whether they are the new one, to battle cheerfully and man- selling for cash, I cannot say, but I think fired on the crew, and the loss of life was 1848. In the latter year there were only fully with its trials, vicissitudes and tempta- not, although prices here are very low in frightful.

MERCHANT.

The Franklin Review, in noticing the haste of certain papers to bring forward gentlemen for the next race for Governor, and Road, for putting off passengers from ears Monday the 1st day of January. It is desir- the names that have been mentioned in con- who refused to pay a charge for fare which

> "Take the list, and shake all the names together, then get the best Prohibitory liquor aw candidate, and we are for HIM against

We feel that our friend of the Review is heartily and sincerely what he professes to be-in favor of a Prohibitory Law, because he believes such a measure would do more than any other to check and suppress the growing evil of intemperance. Now we of the taxable property of the State. we would like to see the Liquor question presented to the people detached from all others, because we believe in that shape it would triumph, and we do not believe it will Company, advertised last week to be here in in any other. Numbers who would vote for a few days, have declined the visit and gone it if the test is made direct-Liquor or No Liquor-will dodge it as a side issue .-According to our notion, the Legislature comwill be dreadfully disappointed, although mitted a blunder in not passing the proposition to submit to the people-a blunder, be cause by that course they could have got rid of the Gazette that this institution has declared the question, whother successful or not, and his trowsers and tried to hold himself out at a dividend of 5 per cent. for the six months precluded the contingency of its coming up arms-length. It is said that he would have year after year, to affright the souls

aspirants with its dreadful presence. We learn that in several counties in this end of the State Prohibition men will be run dict. In any event, it is to be hoped enough of the right sort of men will be elected to cules the idea of running Gen. Houston, who, the people direct, and at a time when no the Baptist church at Brenham, Texas. other elections are occurring. Let them have it in a shape where there is no chance for dodging, sheltering behind or covering up under other issues. In this form we are certain the question will show a degree of strength which it will never manifest in any other. We are not advised what course is There was a very good turn out of members, to be pursued in this county, or who are likely to be candidates; but we trust no one will aspire to a seat in the next Legislature who is unwilling to submit the question to the consideration and decision of the peo-

Kossuth on the War .- On the 30th ult., a meeting was held in London in commemoof the illegality of the votes. Two thirds ration of the Polish revolution of 1830, and of the votes polled are said to have been im- at which Kossuth delivered an eloquent adported from Missouri expressly for the occa- dress. The course of the allied governments, in conducting the war, is criticised without mercy, while the gallantry of their armies is dwelt upon with spontaneous admiration and applause. According to Kossuth, the only means of securing the West of Europe ngainst the encroachments of Russia, is the reconstruction of Poland, followed by the restoration of the other lately subjugated and suppressed nationalities of the Continent.

Said a purse-proud man, just getting into his carriage, with his wife and daughters flaunting in velvet and furs to a poor laborer who was shovelling coal into his vault-Joe, if you had not drank rum, you might have sundry promises to pay, from the Baltimore now been riding in my carriage, for nothing else could have prevented a man of your edu- the United States District Court to-day, Judge cation and opportunities from making money.' 'True enough,' was the reply-'and if you had not sold rum and tempted me and others to being called on to address a know Nothing drink and become drunkards, you might have

been my driver." When people talk about the heavy well for them to inquire who foots the bills. his wife three times a day, and put on a clean Thus far American gold has evidently done shirt every morning, and our word for it, he

it. The balance of trade in favor of France will be the happiest man in the world. and England, in their commercial intercourse with the United States, has drawn nearly all the gold product of California, and this is now paying for the war. It therefore becomes a serious question how many such wars we can afford to carry on without minding the

Matrimony: Hot buckwheat cakes-warm beds-comfortable slippers-smoking coffee, round arms-red lips-shirts exulting in buttons-redeemed stockings-boot-jackshappiness, &c. &c.

Single Blessedness: Sheet iron quiltsblue noses-frosty bones-ice in the pitcher -unredeemed linen-heelless socks-coffee sweetened with icicles—gutta percha biscuita -flabby steaks -dull razors -corns, coughs and colies-rhubarb-aloes-misery, &c.

The worst feature in a man's face is his nose when stuck into other people's af- bany Atlas contends that Seymour is legalfairs. Busybodies will please make a note. ly elected by 243 majority.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Halifax, N. S., December 23 .- The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Ship each day, and the banks becoming less able America, Capt. W. J. C. Lang, has arrived at to assist their customers when wanted to do this port from Liverpool with advices to the

General Intelligence .- The most important item of news by this arrival is that Austria has signed a treaty of alliance with France and England which binds her to declare war against Russia in one month, the latter powers guaranteeing her against invasion or insurrection. She has, also, asked the support will be gradually destroying his means with- of the German States which are arming, but Russian influence is at work to resist her efforts to obtain it.

Affairs at Sebastopol are in statu quo. Omar Pasha, with 40,600 troops, was about embarking for the Crimea.

The Spanish Chambers have decided to support the present Dynasty. Mr. Soule had arrived at Madrid, and

New York, Dec. 24 .- The Bremen mail

The tenor of her advices has been anticipated by the arrival of the America at Halifax. We glean, however, the following items from our files of English papers received by ker. A disposition is manifested to distrust Aus-

The losses of the allies during the great ing a diminution of bank accomm gale are not so severe as at first reported .-Fourteen vessels, principally sailing trans. There is an abundance of specie in the counports, were wrecked near Sebastopol. Two try, if the estimate of the Secretary of the vessels went ashore. Some got off, and others were burnt to prevent them falling into depositories amounts to \$86,000,000 against the hands of the Russians. The Cossacks \$59 835,775 in 1851, and \$54,500,000 in

The Toledo Blade states that the grand jury of the county of Hillsdale, Michi gan, have found bills of indictment against the conductors of the Michigan Southern the people deem illegal and extortionate; and for false imprisonment in conveying passengers past the stations for which they were

The State of Vermont is intersected by 400 miles of rail road, which have probably cost up to the present time \$24,000,000, or \$50,000 a mile. Their construction has source of demand there siding to drain the doubled within the last ten years, the value

The British and French Ministers have presented remonstrances against the annexation of the Sandwich Islands, Mr. Marcy has replied that if the treaty be consummated, the rights of England and France will be re-

A fellow out west, who was recently elected to the Indiana Legislature, from red Creek, in Wayne county, was so elated at his success, that he caught himself by the seat of accomplished the feat if he had not let spit on his hands.

ton, Texas, has an article on the Presidency, chant to be offered for immediate redemption -with what success it is not for us to pre- taking strong "American" ground, and favor- at the Virginia Bank from whence they were ing the pretensions of Mr. Fillmore. It ridithe next Legislature to send the matter to by the way, we see it stated, has just joined

A HEAVY FAILURE .- A failure in the lumber trade recently occurred at Quebec, with liabilities to the amount of \$2,000,000-that of Mr. William Price. Unlike most of the other lumber merchants there, he used to get out his own lumber, for which purpose he kent going over thirty several establishments, one of which-that at Chicoutimi, loaded 29 at a stand still. Other failures in the same business are anticipated.

fr The New York Herald says that arrangements have already been effected in the ranks of the Know Nothings, both in New York and Virginia, which render morally certain the defeat of Seward for the United States Senate by our new Legislature, and also the defeat of Wise, the democratic Cabinet candidate for Governor of Virginia.

VICTORIES OF THE ALLIES .- The London Times in commenting on the last battle of Subastopol, pertinently enquires: "How many more such victories can we afford to win ere we sink overwhelmed by the weight of our own triumphs, vanquished by our own valor, and worn out by our own success?"

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22. William H. Martin, indicted on the charge of purloining \$3 and \$21 gold coins, and Post Office in November, was found guilty in Giles presiding.

CURING A BAD TEMPER .- If a married lady of a cross, unhappy disposition, will take the trouble to wash her face, and comb her hair. and arrange her dress, it will be almost impossible to indulge in anger until her hair and xpenses of the British and French govern- dress become disarranged again. If a gentleman is troubled in the same way, let him kiss

> A NEW PLANK .- A Soft, of our acquain tance, admits that he would willingly adopt the Free Soil Platform, if, to the Free Soil Free Speech and Free men, they would add another plank, namely, that of Free Drinks!

> EARLY VEGETABLES .- The result of in temperance-namely, the blossoms on a toper's nose-like early peas, are forced by the system of glass culture! VERY RIGHT .- When Horace Greeley

> spoke of the Maine Law Candidate as "crockery god," he used one of the happlest of terms. The whole contest was one for Jug or not (Juggernaut!)

We find the following paragraph in some of the papers:

"Although Clarke has been officially declared Governor elect of New York, the AlHARD TIMES.

FROM THE LYNCHBURG VINGINIAN I A writer in the National intelligencer puts he subject of the present hard times among commercial men in a nut-shell. The follow-

the amount of specie in the country, on the 30th of September last, at \$241,000,000. He ays: "Of this sum there was about \$60,000. 000 in the banks and \$26,000,000 in the U. States Treasury; the rest being in circulat among the people or hoarded up.

At the period of the discovery of gold in

alifornia, there was in the country about \$100,000,000, and of this \$50,000,000 was held by banks and \$50,000,000 by individuals. Thus, in about seven years the amount in

the bank vaults has only increased \$10,000.

increased \$95,000,000.

It is chiefly held where it is not wanted. and has not materially increased where it is vitally necessary; for the enlargement of business operations has rendered essential an

extension of bank facilities, requiring a coresponding increase of the specie basis. The derangement of gredit, caused by the New York, Dec. 24.—The Bremen mail diminution of bank accommodations, is the steam ship Washington arrived at her wharf true key of the present hard times; and there terruption of business, those who have hoarded the specie shall be compelled to spend it, and it will thus find its way back to the

It is here a subject worthy of the grayest

consideration in the present emergency, that among the parties who "lave hoarded the specie" of the land and are still hoarding itthus taking away the basis, and per force urgare the Sub-Treasurers of the United States. The total of specie in banks and Treasury

\$8,101,353 reported in the Treasury depositories, whilst on the 30th September, 1854, the Secretary tells us the amount then locked up was \$26,000,000-or nearly three times more * than the whole specie basis of all the banks of the city of New York, and about eight times greater than that of all the banks in Virginia. Now how is it, with this abundance of specie in New York and in the country, the banks are crippled in their accommodations by the want of an available supply? We hear that the brokers carry it off-where? -to New York! And why? On account, we are told, of the demand for exportation to meet foreign bills. But is there not another specie from every corner of the land? Is there ot another power, located at that financial centre, whose very existence at the present time is essentially antagonistic to the operations of every State bank in the Union? The banks of Virginia are now cramped in their operations by the deficit of a specie basis which they cannot hold. The specie is essential to their operations. It is also essential to the transactions of the general government and its officers in New York. State and the broker is the agent who profits by his necessities, and in whose hands are placed THE PRESIDENCY .- The Journal at Galves the funds received from the Virginia merissued. Mr. Guthrie locks up the metallic proceeds; and thus, with an actual abundance of specie, state banking institutions are em-

barrassed, and credit as a consequence is impaired by the want of a due supply, In conclusion, and in illustration of the fact that the policy upon which the sub-Treasury scheme is administered can and does vitally affect the business of the country. we quote the following remarks, delivered by Mr. Dix, then Assistant Treasurer, at New York, in the Autumn of 1853. In his laudavessels for Liverpool, with sawed lumber, last | tions of the manner in which the various deyear. All these immense establishments are partments had been conducted under the present administration, he attempted to show that the sub-Treasury has been instrumental in arresting a revulsion "scarcely less severe

than that of 1837," and added :-"From May to September there was a prealent bias to over action in almost every bosiness, legitimate and illegitimate—in trade banking, stock jobbing and land speculation under the impulse given to commercial enterprise. The Treasury balance ran up to more than ten millions. This rapid necumulation checked in a very salutary manner the gener-

al tendency to over action." If the treasury balance of ten millions had the effect here claimed for it, to what degree may we think it possible that the balance last September, of \$26,000,000, locked up in the federal vaults, has served to check, not in a salutary manner," but with paralysing effect, the credit and financial operations of the country? The Sub-Treasury, it will be here recollected, was a grand experiment in the "divorce of bank and State." It may be irrele vant, but as a curious enquiry we venture to ask, what may we think of the character of the direct under which the agents of the federal government could thus check the tendencies of trade at will, as Mr. Dix himself claims had been done?

New York city banks for the week ending 9 Dec., was \$10,983,401. On 1st Oct., 1855, the Specie in the banks of Virginia was \$3,447,072.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.

There has been much excitement in monied circles yesterday and to-day, growing out of members of the firm are the largest debtors, amination by the court, and that more than two thirds of the million of assets of Mr. Withers are worthless. The a discount of ten per cent. Yesterday and to-day they were sold by the brokers at a discount of forty per cent.

A young gentleman, who is quite a adies' man, found himself the other evening, rather unexpectedly, in company with a large company of ladies and wishing to make himself as agreeable as possible, without knowing exactly what to say, commenced his coning, "Ah! ladies, I'm glad to see you. Really, re are so many of you together here, that I'm afraid you must all be Know Nothings!"
"Oh, no, indeed," replied one of them rather tortly, "I sint, I'm a widow."

THEIR POWER -The Washington Union in an article on the impropriety of converting pondent of the Philadelphia North American, pulpits into political rostrums, thus speaks writes as follows, from Washington, of the of the power of the clergy: "Of all profes- first demonstration about Know-Nothingism sions in the community-physicians not ex- in Congress; cepted-elergymen exercise the most p wer-"The Secretary of the Treasury estimates ful influence be it for good or for evil. As a general rule, their strictly moral lives, their high intellectual gifts, and their rare powers of persuasion, coupled with their calling, which demands an untiring devotion to the temporal and eternal welfare of their fellowmen, inspire a confidence and beget an affection the extent of which cannot easily be exaggerated." We think the Union exaggerates the political power of our clerical friends. In 000, while the amount in private hands has religious matters we admit they wield a controlling influence, but we much question whether they will ever be able to produce any very great effect in the political market .-Eight-tenths of our clergymen opposed the resolution, and thought we were warring against God, in taking up arms against George issues. The neutrest of the democratic politi III. A majority of the clergy, opposed the

war of 1812 and the war against Mexico .so justly jealous of elerical interference in electioneering matters, that their opposition to a matter, almost invariably leads to its triumphant adoption. The Union feels "alarmed" at the exhibitions of which we have spoken. We think the alarm uncalled for, Politically speaking, the pulpit of the United

DEMOCRACY AND KNOW-NOTHINGIAM - The Memphis Appeal, Democrat, "pitches" into Senator Adams, Democrat, 'pitches' into late elections. Power compels respect, and strength is a wonderful corrective of insohis bill to amend the naturalization laws, after

the following fashion: "Senator Stephen A. Adams, of Mississippi has introduced into the Senate of the United States a bill providing for extending the term of the naturalization of foreigners to twenty. one years. Under the elder Adams the term f residence qualifying a foreigner for citi zenship was fixed at fourteen years. During Mr. Jefferson's administration it was altered to five years. Mr. Adams professes to be democrat, but in this movement he writes imself down a Federalist. His proposition will not stand the test of public discussion

WEARING THE BEARD .- An exchange says, a great reform is going on in the matter of wearing beards; and they now appear in untrimmed laxuriance upon the faces of men who stand at the remotest possible distance from the character of fops. In all ranks of life, and in every grade of employment, the razor is in a measure eschewed, and men are returning to reason. Moustaches, even, are now as common as a few years ago they were rare. The chills of the coming winter will be as potent in starting beards as they will be powerful in blasting vegetation. Razors. colds, and bronchitis will be laid aside together, and a flowing beard supersede the use of an indefinite list of patent medicines."

HIGH PRICES FOR NEGROES .- From the annexed extract from the last Danville Repubnotes, the currency of the people, will not lican,' it seems that the financial difficulties of answer, and the consequence is, the weaker the day are to a great extent confined to the party is disfurnished and has to succumb .- cities and trading communities, while the The importer must pay his customs, duties farmers and planters are enjoying the fruits of the high prices for grain and tobacco for

"At a Commissioners' sale, a few days since in this neighborhood, a negro man was sold eight months old, for \$1310, the rest of them twelve in number, for proportionate high prices, though the above were the largest sums paid for any two of them. At this sale, as at most others we have heard of farmers uninterested in the property outbid all others.'

TIMES IMPROVING EAST .- The Albany Knick says: There was a "run" made on the gingerbread man of Troy on Saturday. Up to 2 o'clock he had redeemed two crullers and a doughnut. In consequence of the stamina exhibited, consols advanced an inch

Our police intelligence this morning, says the New York Herald of Wednesday contains accounts of frauds, robberies, bur glaries, larcenies, assaults, and other crimes, of various grades and degrees, showing most deplorable state of society and a la mentable deficiency on the part of the police force of the city. Something should be done at once to put a check to these rapidly increasing enormities.

Hogs.-The Louisville Journal of Thursday says : "The receipts are very light, and we hear of no sales. The market is quiet." of coin, and the enormous sum of ten millions The receipts at Madison exhibit an increase thus withdrawn from the reach of operators, of 20,000 head. The Cincinnati Gazette of Friday says:

The general feeling is, that should the packing in the West fall short, the business will pay at present prices, but if on the con-trary, the number should be as great as that footed up last year, the result would be of an country, to put his yelo on any repeal of the opposite character. With reference to the supplies nothing definite or satisfactory has been ascertained. At some points a falling off will undoubtedly be shown, but others will increase, and while we are not prepared to say there will be a full and increased business in the aggregate, we may remark that the indications point in this direction rather than to a falling off in numbers.

TURNING THE AGUE TO ACCOUNT -The Hoosiers on the Wabash turn their shakes" to some account. They climb into the top of a "shell bark" just as the chill comes on, and by the time the "personal earthquake" leaves them, there is not a hickory nut left on the tree.

NATURALIZATION PAPERS.-Judge Dean, of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, has forbidden the clerk to take proofs and grant naturalization papers. He directs applicants to apply to the court, and to-day, the recent statement made by the Trustees of after hearing proofs in several cases, rejected the Exchange Bank of Selden, Withers & applicants. He has given his written opinion, Co. The statement shows that the individual of citizenship as a judicial act, requiring ex-

A poor mechanic, residing in Cincinnati, amed Wm. L. Walker, having received innotes of the bank were selling on Monday at telligence of the death of an uncle in Baltimore, by whom he was left property worth \$9,000, came to Baltimore, and to obtain the cash, sold his ciaim for \$8,000, returned to Cincinnati, went to visiting the fashionable saloons, and soon lost \$6,000 at cards and billiards .- Baltimore paper.

Exactly. Place a beggar on horseback and he will ride right straight to the devil.

Hon, David L. Yulce has been elected to the U. S. Senate from Florida, in place of versation in his most bewitching style by say- the Hon, Jackson Morton whose term expires on the 4th of March next.

> The way to make a tall man "short" is to ask him to loan you a hundred dollars.

KNOW NOTHINGS IN CONGRESS -A corres-

The Know-Nothings have entered Congress in an imposing manner. Mr. Sollers, of Maryland, led the cortege this morning, with bills and resolutions looking to the establishment of their principles in legislation and official appointments. They gave rise to an important and suggestive debate, and a strug gle began which lasted through the day and ended as a drawn battle. The subject is still pending. Already, though no member of the present Congress was elected as a Know-Nothing, the party seems to have a majority in the House. A popular feeling exists against the appointment of Soule, Belmont and Owen, which, I think, will compel their recall. There was not one member who spoke to-day, except Witte, of Pennsylvania, who did not refer to them as improper representatives of the country abroad.

This new question will derange all party calculations, and will submerge many existing cians admit that it will have its run until af ter 1856, but after the Presidential election of Their opposition, however, amounted to nothing. The people of the United States are Nothings, who would probably compromise with all opponents on the success now

There was one point in the day's debate which was very striking. Several members opposed the resolutions with much vehe nce, but none of them called the Know Nothings hard names. None of them abused the new party as a gang of cut-throats, assas-States is as impotent as the strong minded sins of the constitution, and so on. No one, women, against native Americanism and its principles. which formed the staple of the denunciation of the Washington Union, previous to the

> RELIEF OF THE POOR IN NEW YORK .- The Board of Common Council of New York have adopted a resolution authorizing the Comptroller to pay the sum of \$10,000 to the "Association for Meliorating the Condition of the Poor," Last year the society paid out over \$30,000 to the poor, but this year the subscriptions to the fund of the Society have fallen off considerably. The Herald says no local or private society will accomplish much towards relieving the distress which must fall upon New York between this and the first of May next. The number of poor people who will starve, if alms be not afforded them, will far exceed anything that has been

> As evidence of the extraordinary depreciation in the value of real property in N. York, we learn that a house which was short time ago erected on Fifth avenue, in the neighborhood of Thirteenth-street at an expense of fifty-two thousand dollars, has been sold for thirty-three thousand dollars; and another on Madison avenue, one doo from the corner of Thirty-first street, which was built at a cost of twenty-one thousand, five hundred dollars, sold for only fourteen thousand five hundred

A Yankee has invented a machine for putting babies to sleep. It is supplied with fresh milk, paragorie, Godfrey's Cordial and ly be called existence. sugar, which it dispenses according to the necessities of the case. Mothers have only to chuck Thomas and Mary into the machine, where they will be cared for four hours. To those who are fond of "lightening the cares for \$1,270, and a negro woman, with a child of life," going to evening shindles, flirting, and such like, the invention will indeed be a "blessing to mothers."

> Mr. J. H. Howe, who has been several months "prospecting" in Kansas, gives his impressions as follows in a letter to the Conneaut (Ct.) Reporter, written on board a steamer in the Missouri river, Nov. 19, while on his way home:

"I think the whole country is eminently adapted to slave labor. Wealthy slaveholders, with plenty of 'help,' can possess themselves of those lands in large tracts and make money in subdaing and cultivating them.— This they will do, and despite all efforts yet making, or means yet adopted, by the free States to prevent it, Kansas will be a slave

I A Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger says: The attempt to repeal the Nebraska bill can only be made for the purpose of agitation. Though some members may have voted against the Nebraska bill, they will not be disposed to disturb it now that it has become the law of the land while those who voted for it, will not stultify themselves by cashiering their own judgment. Besides, of what use would the vote of the House be, when the Senate passed the bill by a more than two-third majority, and when the President is determined now, and as long as he remains the Chief Magistrate of the

Domestic extravagance and foreign indebtedness, says the New York Mirror, are the radical causes of the financial troubles

sermon in those few words. According to a statement in the New York Times, Jenny Lind gave 95 concerts in the United States, which yielded the sum of \$712,191, of which she received \$175,575 net

and Barnum \$535,486 gross. The Washington Star states that Mr. Davis has resigned his appointment as a Clerk in the General Land Office, and has been received in the Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Mr. Davis has been appointed to the charge of Trinity Church, Riehmond,

Robert Schuyler, the defaulter, has bought "a place" on the Rhine, where he now resides, and has sent for his family to join him. His confidential clerk came a passen ger to New York last week in the Baltic, or

his employer's business. COLT'S REVOLVERS .- The English papers state that the number of the repeating pistols or revolvers, manufactured by Mr. Colt during the last two years, amounts to two hundred thousand. The Viceroy of Egypt has lately ordered five thousand of them for the equip-ment of his cavalry; and the British Board of Ordnance despatched, some time ago, ten thousand to the Baltic fleet.

It is stated that a Company is shortly o be formed in New York city for the manufacture of paper from saw-dust and shavings Experiments have been gone into, and some of the most beautiful paper made from these materials. It is estimated that saw-dust can be purchased for \$5 per ton, and that the process through which it will go in the production of paper will bring the price of the

OF ALL THE DEVILS AVOID THE BLUE. Remember this is a comical world, much given to calculation—therefore, if you would thrive and have "tallow covered kidneys," you must tickle the community and cut melancholy.— Nobody wants to listen to distress if he can possibly avoid it. In a word, misery is a "dem bore" and wont be tolerated. A comedian can extract his hundred dollars a night, from almost any community—a beggar is doing a duced good business if he raises two loaves

For children to complain is all very well, Mr. Ferguson, but for a man of good sense to go about like a dog with a scorbutic cransum-is a ridiculous waste of good grunting. that might better be kept for the cholic. Even the character of Cicero is lessened by the complaints he suffered to escape him; and who can read the sad things written by the banished Ovid, without despising the man whose misfortunes debased, whereas they should have exalted his mind. Men who have experienced evils which are really of a trivial nature, should be in haste to forget them. These things are important to themselves; but why should they suppose them sufficiently interesting to engage the atten-

Again we say, if you have trouble, just keep it to yourself; a jolly fellow can raise a half engle at any time, a dismal individual could not effect a loan of one and ninepence if his soul depended on it. Be cheerful therefore, for your own interest. Or to condense the whole sermon into one line, " laugh and grow fat." Everybody does it, who has any expectation of rising in the world.

A TERRIFIC SPECTACLE AT SEBASTOPOL -The Russian batteries having it now all their own way, hammered unremittingly upon us with the greatest vivacity. They had sent forth from their ramparts loud shouts of deinnce or of victory when the explosion of the French and English magazines acquainted them of our misfortune; but it was now our turn to crow, for about balf past three there suddenly shot upwards from the works, or rather the Redan on our front, a white livid lame, which ascended high into the air, and while we all paused to gaze on the spectacle, sound which made the very earth tremble beneath us, followed by a most awful report, told us that the Redan had ceased to existfor in the next minute its garrisons of hun-dreds, blown to atoms, dismembered, and mutilated by the action of the explosion, were discovered hundreds of yards above the parent earth. So fearful and terrifying a spectacle I never have, nor do I hope ever again to witness. In the midst of a dense volume of smoke and sparks, which resembled a water-spout ascending to the clouds, were visi-ble to the naked eye, arms, legs, trunks and heads of the Russian warriors, mingled with cannons, wheels, and every object of military warfare, and I may say, with every living thing it contained. The explosion in the French and English batteries were like flashes in the pan of a musket compared with this.

When you see a young lady disposed to shuffle all the housework upon her mother's shoulders for the purpose of sitting down and "having a talk," or going into the neighbor's, just make up your mind that she isn't much of an establishment.

There is no time spent more stupidly than that which some luxurious people pass in a morning between sleeping and waking, after Nature has been fully gratified. He who is awake, may be doing somewhat: he who is asleep is receiving the refreshment necessary to fit him for action; but the hours spent in dozing and not slumbering can hard-

UTAR .- We understand, says the Washington Union, that the President has nominated to the Senate Brevet Lieut, Col. Edward J. Steptoe, of the United States Army, to be Govornor of Utah, in the place of Govornor Young, who was appointed by President Fill-

An Indian had gone to Albany one old winter's day, and got very drunk. On his way home, he became completely over-come, lay down, and was frozen to death.— His tribe was at that time much disposed to imitate the habits of white men, and accordingly held an inquest over the dead body.—
After a long powwow, they finally agreed to the verdict, that the deceased came to his death "by mixing too much water in his whis-

key, which had frozen in him and killed him." "Not so Soon."-Upon the monument erected to the memory of Charles G. Atherton, late Fenator from New Hampshire, are these words-"I expected this, but not so soon." How expressive of the prevailing weakness of kumanity. Thus do we all de-ceive ourselves. We all expect to die, but "not so soon !

1-17" A farmer told his man, who was horoughly Irish, to run into the pasture and catch an ox. "I mean the off one; I will manage the oth

er myself," he said. Pat ran to do as he was bidden, but sudlenly paused with the exclamation-"He is a reasonable man, any how, Bedad nd how am I to know which is the or-

Samivle, peware of the vimmins as ads no newspapers. Your father married a woman that read none, and you're the sad konsequence. You're as higherent as a 'orse. Higherent people says it's throwing money away to take papers, and foolin' away

WHAT'ILL TAKE THE SCENT OUT OF YOUR CLOTHES .- Sitting on the piazza of the Cataract House, was a young foppish looking which distress the country. There is a whole gentleman, his garments very highly scented with a mingled odor of cologne and musk,— A solemn-faced odd looking man, after passing the dandy several times, with looks of tion which drew general notice, suddenly stopped, and in a conficultal tone said, "Stranger, I know what'it take that secot out

of your ciothes; you-" What! do you mean, sir!" said the exquisite, "fired with indignation," starting from

"O get mad, now-swear, pitch round, fight just because a man wants to do you a kindness! coolly replied the stranger. teil you, I do know what'll take out that smell —phew! You just bury your clothes—bury 'em a day or two. Uncle Josh got afoul of a chunk and he"—at this instant there went up from the crowd a simultaneous roar of merriment; and the dandy very sensibly " cleared

the coop," and vanished up stairs. If you would be pungent, be brief, for it is with words as with sunbeams, the more they are condensed, the deeper they burn.

HEAVY DANAGES FOR SEDUCTION .- A Verdict of ten thousand dollars was rendered in our Circuit Court, on Saturday, against a resident of our county for the seduction of a giri 13 years of age. The suit was brought by the father.—Springfield (Ill.) Register.

The following toast was given at Staunton, during the Session of the Convention, "The Democracy of Virginia-Like the Mother of the Gracely, when asked for her jewels, she points to her-Whigst"

The Empire City Bank of New York said to have failed,

To remove dirt from linen-Jerk a dandy